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The Center for the Study of Child Development, University of Haifa

International Workshop on **AN INTEGRATIVE APPROACH TO EARLY CHILDHOOD DEVELOPMENT AND EDUCATION**

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Haifa, Israel

DRAFT DAILY PROGRAM

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DAILY SCHEDULE

- * The schedule is subject to change in accordance with requirements of special lectures, observation visits and tours.
- * The program is subject to change due to last minute constraints.
- * It is recommended to wear comfortable walking shoes and appropriate dress for entering the religious sites.

MEALS

Breakfast

The whole week 7:30

Snack

The whole week 10:00

Lunch

The whole week 12:30

Tea

The whole week 15:00

Supper

The whole week 19:00

IMPORTANT INFORMATION

❖ **THE SABBATH** – The day of rest starts on Friday in the early afternoon and continues throughout Saturday. Offices and shops are closed, and there is hardly any public transport until Saturday evening.

❖ **SUNDAY IS A NORMAL WORKING DAY**

NOVEMBER 2014

TUESDAY 4

- 8:30 - 9:00 **Arrival and Registration**
- 9:00 - 10:00 **Meet with the staff of the Center and participants from the parallel course in Spanish:**
Environmental Education, Science and Technology
- 10:00 - 10:30 **Presentation of The Golda Meir Mount Carmel International Training Center & MASHAV – Israel's International Cooperation Development Program**
Ms. Noga Zimerman, MCTC Director
- 11:00 - 12:00 **Introduction and Presentation of the Program**
 - *Ms. Sarah Wilner, Workshop Director*
 - *Ms. Anna Andrachnik, Workshop Coordinator*
- 12:00 - 12:15 **Life at MCTC**
Ms. Teresa Martinez, House Mother
- 12:15 - 12:30 **Introduction to MCTC website and social media**
Mr. Amir Barnea, MCTC Staff
- 12:30 **Festive Lunch**
- 14:00 - 17:30 **The Developmental Tree: Effective Building-Blocks for Early Learning. Greenspan's Functional-Emotional Developmental Approach**
Dr. Motti Gini, Child Psychologist, Director of Psychologists and Social Workers, Millman Childcare Center
Ms. Sarah Wilner, Workshop Director
- 19:00 **Dinner**
- 20:00 **Meet with** *Ms. Bracha Steiner, Social and Cultural Coordinator*

WEDNESDAY 5

- 8:30 - 10:30 **Getting Acquainted and Expectations of the Participants**
Ms. Sarah Wilner
- 11:00 - 12:30 **Participants Share Case Studies (I)**
Problems Facing Children with Hearing Impairment in Receiving Appropriate Education: Government Affirmed Educational Standards
Ms. Zina Kacharava, Office Assistant, Chemonics International Inc
- Developmental, Reggio Emilia and Constructivist Approach Applied at Schools of BEEs Education**
Ms. Thang Giang Ngo, Founder, Academic Advisor and Program Director, BEEs Education Jsc.
- Resource Capacities Supporting the Development and Use of Learning Materials in ECDE Centers in Kenya**

- 12:30 *Ms. Philomena Chepsiror, Assistant Lecturer, Moi University*
Lunch
- 13:30 - 15:00 **An introduction to Early Childhood Education In Israel**
Ms. Sharon Perry, Early Childhood Education Consultant
- 15:30 - 17:00 **Continued**

THURSDAY 6

- 8:30 - 12:30 **Integrative Approach to Early Childhood Education**
Ms. Aviva Ben Heffer, ECE Consultant
- 12:30 **Lunch**
- 14:00 - 17:30 **Guided Tour of Haifa (courtesy of the Municipality of Haifa)**
 Return to MCTC for dinner

FRIDAY 7

- 9:30 **Depart for a Study Visit in Haifa**
- 10:00 – 12:00 **Visit to Herzl School, Haifa**
Early Childhood Education: Involving Community in the Process
Ms. Dina Levi, Director
- 12:30 **Lunch at MCTC**
- 13:30 - 17:00 **Israel, Land and People**
Mr. Michel Kahn, Expert on History of Israel and Licensed Tour Guide

SATURDAY 8

Free

SUNDAY 9

- 7:00 **Depart for 2 day Excursion to Jerusalem and the Dead Sea**
Guided Excursion to Jerusalem: Historical and Religious Sites
 Guide: *Ms. Irma Zaslansky*
- 13:30 **Lunch at Kibbutz Ramat Rachel**
 Dinner and overnight at Jerusalem: Hotel Migdal Yerushalayim

MONDAY 10

- 8:30 – 11:30 **Depart for a Study Visit to the David Yellin Academic College of Education**
Meet with:
Ms. Nicole Ben Nun, Acting Director, ECE Department
Dr. Dafna Sharav, Head, Academic Training in Basic Education Department
- 12:30 **Proceed to the Dead Sea**

13:30 **Lunch at Qumran**

14:30 – 16:30 **Exploring the Dead Sea**

19:30 Return to MCTC for dinner

TUESDAY 11

8:30 - 12:30 **The Importance of Play**
Ms. Aviva Ben Heffer

12:30 **Lunch**

14:00 - 16:30 **Participants Share Case Studies (II)**

Helping a Child Who Has English as an Additional Language
Ms. Kamila Abdullaeva, Director & Educational Coordinator, Non-Governmental Pre-School Organization (NDU) "Twinkle Star"

17:30 - 19:00 **Professional Exchanges with Participants of Parallel Course**
Ms. Sarah Wilner, Workshop Director and *Ms. Rosa Franco-Alhadeff*, Director of the Workshop on Environmental Education, Science and Technology (in Spanish)

WEDNESDAY 12

8:00 **Depart for a Study Visit**

9:00 **Visit to Kindergarten at Bat Shlomo**

10:30 **Visit at "Bustan Tom" – an Organic Educational Farm for ECD, Kerem Maharal**

12:00 **Return for lunch at MCTC**

13:00 **Depart for a Study Visit in Haifa**

13:30 – 16:30 **Visit "Merkaz Hapaot"**
Meet with the Director of the Center, *Ms. Anat Bar*

19:00 **Dinner at MCTC**

THURSDAY 13

7.45 **Depart for Study Visits in Haifa**

8:15 – 12:00 **ECD Programs in Haifa**
Accompanied by *Ms. Orna Avigad*, Coordinator of ECD at Haifa Municipality

- **Hativat Carmeli Early Child Care Center**
- **Arts for Early Childhood Center**
- **Flora Gardens – Special Education Framework**

12:30 **Lunch**

13:30- 15:30 **Change Management (I)**
Dr. Limor Winter, Organisational Consultant, Change Management

16:00 – 17:30 **Participants Share Case Studies (III)**

17:45 – 18:30 **Preparation of Final Projects**

Ms. Sara Wilner

FRIDAY 14

9:00 - 12:30 **Environmental Awareness in Early Childhood Development Training**

Mr. Avishai Mor, PhD

12:30 **Lunch**

13:30 - 15:00 **Thinking of the Environment in your Projects**

Mr. Avishai Mor

SATURDAY 15

FREE

SUNDAY 16

8:00 **Depart for an All Day Study Visit to Haifa University**

Hosted by Prof. Avi Sagi-Schwartz, Head of the International MA Program in Child Development and Director of The Center for the Study of Child Development, Department of Psychology

8:30 **Getting together**

9:00 - 10:45 **Early Relationships: Background and Overview**

Prof. Avi Sagi-Schwartz

Caring for Our Children: Early Child Care Settings

Dr. Tirtsa Joels

The Classroom Climate: Teacher-Student Relationships

Dr. Yair Ziv

11:00 – 12:30 **Parents' Resolution with Their Child's Diagnosis**

Dr. Efrat Sher-Censor

Children with Autistic Disorder: Parent-Child Relationships

Prof. David Oppenheim

The Development of Fears and Anxiety in Children

Dr. Tomer Shechner

12:30 – 13:30 **Lunch at the University**

13:30 – 14:30 **International MA Program in Child Development for Developing Countries**

Dr. Efrat Sher-Censor, Prof. Avi Sagi-Schwartz

14:45 – 16:30 **University of Haifa: Tour**

Ms. Nira Alon, Ms. Vered Mayer

19:00 **Dinner at MCTC**

MONDAY 17

8:00 **Depart for a Field Visit in the Early Child Care System of Yuvalim Misgav Regional Municipality**

8:30 – 12:00 **Getting Acquainted with the Early Child Care System of Yuvalim Misgav Regional Municipality**

Guided by:

- *Ms. Noa Tzuk*, Head, Education Department, Misgav Regional Municipality
- *Ms. Anat Ben Ari*, Head, Early Childhood Education Unit, Misgav Regional Municipality
- *Ms. Dalia Raz*, Supervisor, Early Childhood Education Unit, Misgav Regional Municipality
- *Ms. Ester Kaldes*, Former Head of child care Yuvalim
- *Ms. Ronit Ron-Zohar*, Head of child care Yuvalim
- *Prof. Avi Sagi-Schwartz*, *Dr. Tirtsia Joels*, *Ms. Karen Ziv*, *Dr. Efi Stolarski*, Center for the Study of Child Development, University of Haifa

12:30 **Return for lunch to MCTC**

13:30 - 16:00 **How to Observe a Classroom**
Prof. Avi Sagi-Schwartz

18:00 **Festive Dinner with a participants of the Haifa University International MA Program in Child Development**

TUESDAY 18

8:30 - 12:30 **Art in Early Childhood**
Ms. Rina Buberoglu, Head, Art Therapies Dept., Kibbutzim College

12:30 **Lunch**

14:00 - 17:30 **Math and ECD**
Dr. Michal Sukenik, Curriculum Developer for Elementary School, Center for Educational Technology

WEDNESDAY 19

8:00 **Depart for a Study Visit to Tel Aviv**

9:30 – 12:00 **Observe WIZO Kindergartens and a Day Care Center**

12:30 **Lunch at MOFET Institute**

12:30 – 16:00 **Study Visit to MOFET Institute**
(<http://www.mofet.macam.ac.il/eng/about/Pages/default.aspx>)

A national intercollegial center for the research and development of programs in teacher education and teaching in the colleges. The Institute constitutes a unique framework both in Israel and worldwide for supporting teacher educators' professional development.

19:00 Return to MCTC for dinner

THURSDAY 20

9:00 - 12:30 **Games and Communication in Early Childhood**
Mr. Kobi Ovdar, Expert on Social Communication Through Games

12:30 **Lunch**

13:30 - 17:00 **Bibliotherapy**
Ms. Aliza Karban, Bibliotherapist, Marriage and Family Therapist

FRIDAY 21

8:30 - 12:30 **Change Management**
Dr. Limor Winter, Organisational Consultant, Change Management

12:30 **Lunch**

14:00 - 14:30 **Working on Final Projects**

SATURDAY 22

Free

SUNDAY 23

8:00 **Depart for an All Day Guided Tour of the Galilee: Historical and Religious Sites**
Guide: *Ms. Irma Zaslansky*

13:30 **Lunch at Kibbutz Degania Bet**

19:00 **Return to MCTC for dinner**

MONDAY 24

8:00 **Depart for an All Day Study Visit in the North**

9:00 - 10:30 **Visit of a Music Center in Acco (Acre)**
Meet *Ms. Efrat Srebro*, Musicologist and Director of the Center

10:45 - 11:45 **Visit to a Kindergarten in Acco (Acre)**

12:30 **Lunch at Kibbutz Lohamei Hagetaot**

13:30 **Visit the The Ghetto Fighters' Memorial at Kibbutz at Lohamei Hagetaot and "Yad LaYeled" (Commemorating family members that perished during the Holocaust)** <http://www.gfh.org.il/eng/?CategoryID=231>

19:00 **Return to MCTC for dinner**

TUESDAY 25

8:30 **Visit Children's Exhibit at the Haifa Museum**
Meet *Ms. Janet Gino*

12:30 Return to MCTC for lunch

Afternoon Work on Final Projects

WEDNESDAY 26

9:00 - 12:30 **Work on Final Projects**

13:30 - 16:00 **Presentation of Final Projects**

THURSDAY 27

9:00 - 10:00 **Thoughts for the Future**
In the presence of *Mrs. Noga Zimmerman*, Director of MCTC and Workshop Staff

10:00 - 11:00 **Mashav/MFA Briefing**
Mr. Elazar Cohen, Ministry of Foreign Affairs

11:30 **Closing Ceremony and Distribution of Certificates**
Festive Lunch

Shalom and Farewell – Have a Safe Journey Home!!!